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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appl. No. :	09/652,993	Confirmation No. :	4012
Applicant :	Vishnu K. Agarwal		
Filed :	August 31, 2000	Attorney Docket No. :	501082.04
Art Unit :	2815	Customer No. :	27,076
Examiner :	Jose R. Diaz		
Title :	DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PROTECTING AGAINST OXIDATION OF A CONDUCTIVE LAYER IN SAID DEVICE		

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant requests continued examination, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, of the above-identified application.

**1. Submission Required Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☐ Submission previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - iii. ☐ Consider the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.

b. ☒ Submission enclosed

- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

**2. Suspension of Action** (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_ months.

**3. Accompanying Papers**

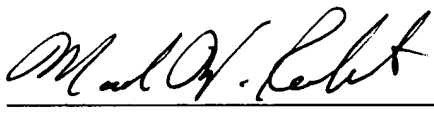
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**4. Deposit Account**

☒ The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1266.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 04-13-04

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